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AGS: CGEN

SUBJECT: GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION: IRS CASE CONCERNING
POSSIBLE ILLICIT OVERSEAS PAYMENTS BY US COMPANY

1. GRAND JURY FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND IS INVESTIGATING AN IRS TAX CASE WHICH CONCERNS POSSIBLE ILLICIT OVERSEAS PAYMENTS OF A US COMPANY. WE DO NOT HAVE DETAILS, BUT IRS REPRESENTATIVE BOWERS AT EMBASSY HAS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

2. TWO MEXICAN MILITARY OFFICERS MAY HAVE INFORMATION HELPFUL TO THE IRS IN ITS INVESTIGATION. INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS IRS HERE REQUESTS OUR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING CLEARANCE THROUGH MEXICAN ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE SO THAT BOWERS MAY SPEAK INFORMALLY WITH THESE OFFICERS. NO
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DEPOSITIONS WOULD BE TAKEN. IF THE OFFICERS HAVE HELPFUL INFORMATION, US ATTORNEY HANDLING CASE MAY REQUEST THROUGH CHANNELS AT FUTURE DATE THESE OFFICERS TO APPEAR AS WITNESSES IN U.S.

3. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT IN DECEMBER 1977 DCM AT EMBASSY INDICATED TO BOWERS THAT DEPT APPROVAL REQUIRED

BEFORE EMBASSY WOULD APPROACH MEXICAN ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
OFFICE IN A CASE LIKE THE PRESENT ONE. DEPT CONSIDERS THE

PROCEDURE SOUND AND AUTHORIZES THE EMBASSY TO CONTACT
MEXICAN AUTHORITIES.

4. THE TWO OFFICERS ARE: LIEUTENANT COLONEL JORGE
RODRIGUEZ BENSON (OR BENZON) AND CAPTAIN RUFINO (OR
RIRFINO) CALGADO MENEZ AT THE FOLLOWING RESPECTIVE
ADDRESSES: SERVICIO AERO DILASKP HANGAR, AVENIDA SANTOS
DUMONT 200, MEXICO DF AND SECRETARIO DE RECURSOS HYDROLICOS
(FRH), PAEO DE LA REFORMA, NO. 69, MEXICO DF. PLEASE
NOTE IRS HERE IS UNSURE OF ADDRESSES BUT BOWERS SHOULD
HAVE BETTER INFORMATION.

5. IRS ADVISES THAT SOME URGENCY HAS DEVELOPED IN THIS
CASE. VANCE

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